NED ROREM

VIEWS FROM THE OLDEST HOUSE

Organ

BOOSEY & HAWKES

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with pleasure

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Suite in six movements
for Organ

Ned Rorem

$12.00

1982

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First performed June 29, 1982
by organist John Obetz
at All Soul's Unitarian Church, Washington, D. C.

For many years now I have lived in the shade of Nantucket's Sunset Hill, site of the island's most venerable landmark, the so-called Oldest House built in 1686 by Jethro Coffin. The hill's southwest vista gleams with variety, especially during summer evenings when it is my habit to stroll up there while supper cooks. This habit echoes through the following pieces, which may be performed separately or as a suite.

N.R.
June-October, 1981

1. Sunrise on Sunset Hill
2. Elms
3. The Nest in Old North Church
4. Spires
5. Rain Over the Quaker Graveyard
6. Sunday Night

Duration: *ca.* 22 minutes

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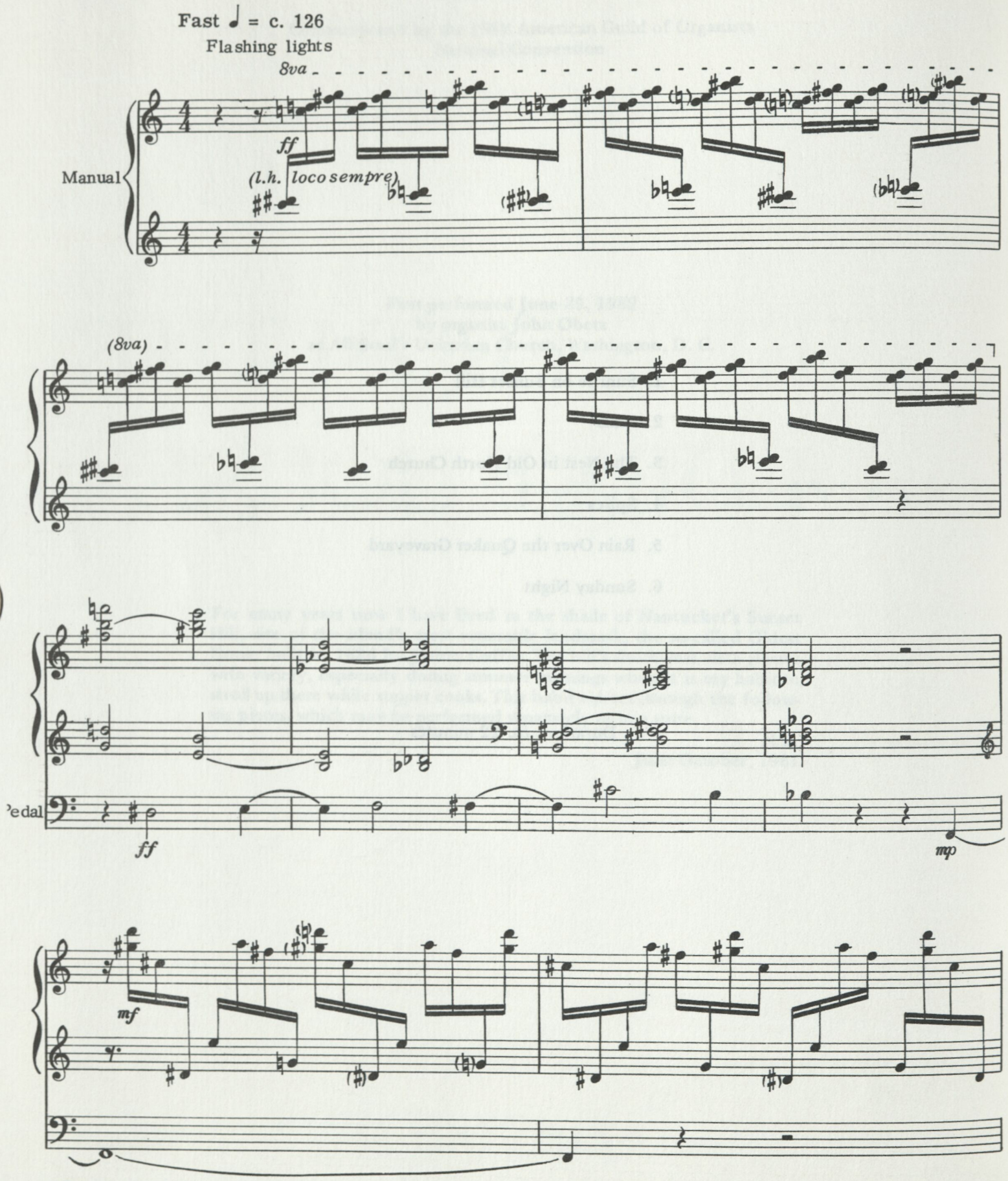
1. Sunrise on Sunset Hill



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Pedal

ff

ff

mp

mf

8va

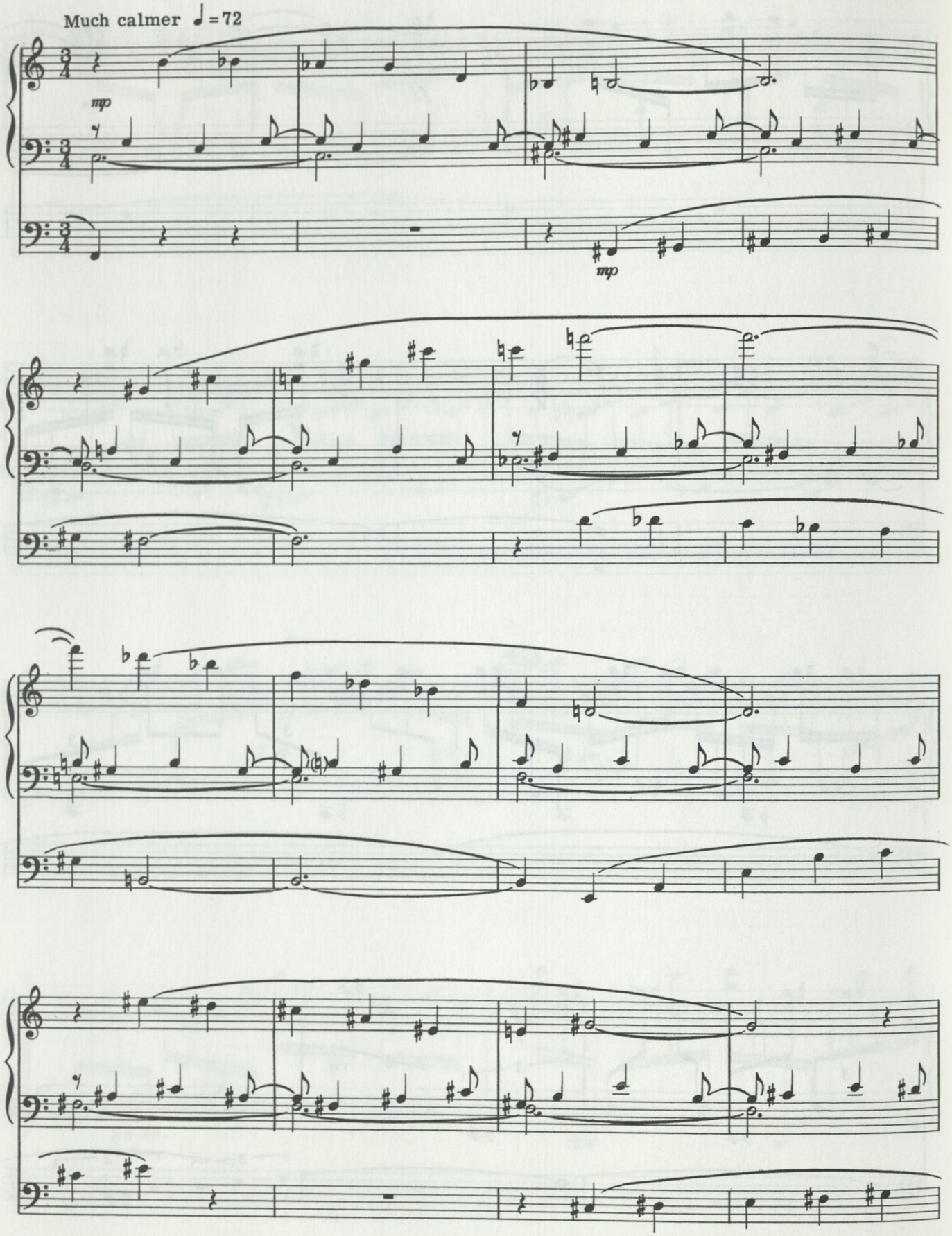
ff

mf

p

rit.

rit.


Much calmer ♩=72
mp
mp

f

poco accel.

rit.

Tempo I°

fff

fff

8va

Pedal

fff

rit. poco

rit. poco

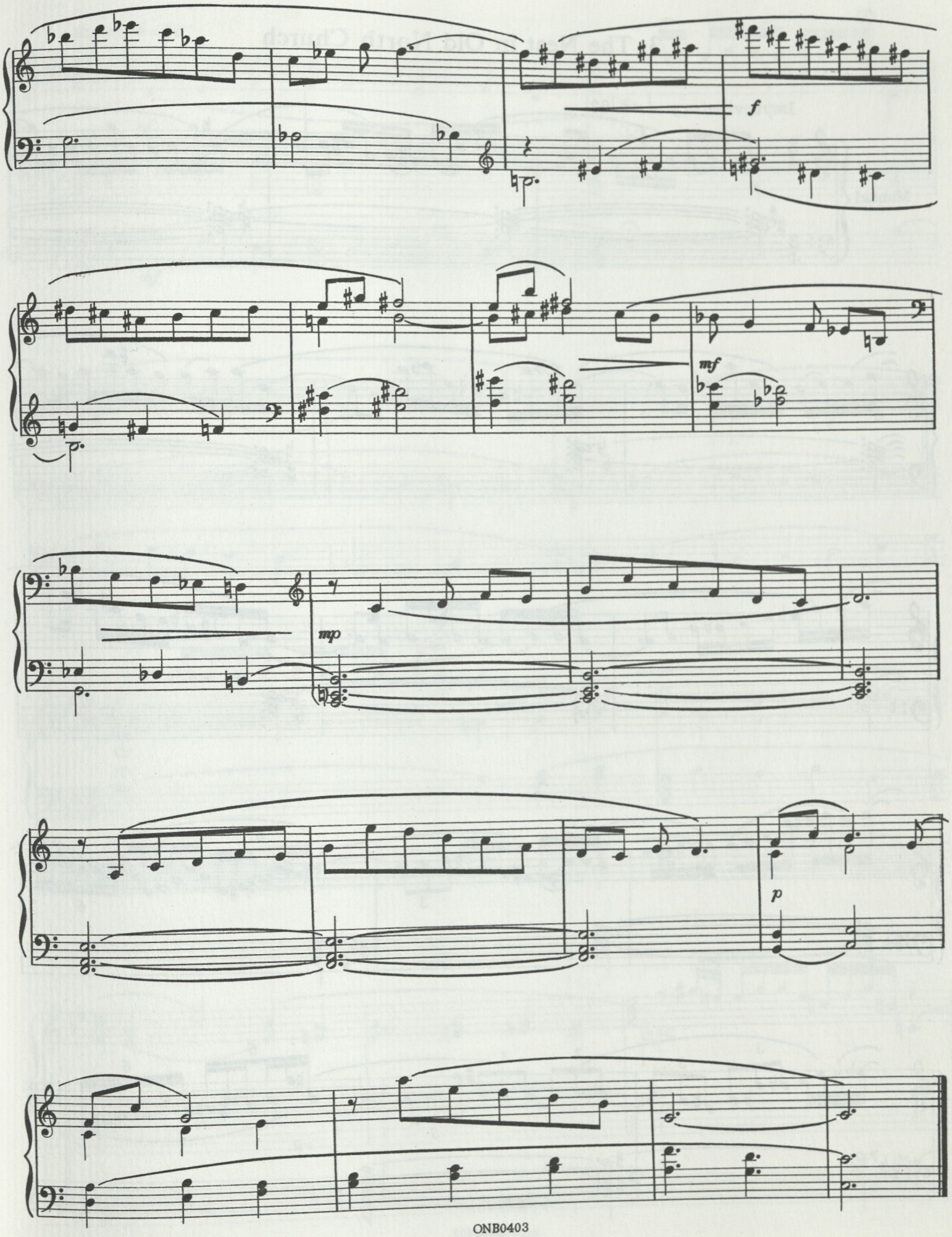
2. Elms

Moderately slow and free ♩ = c. 72

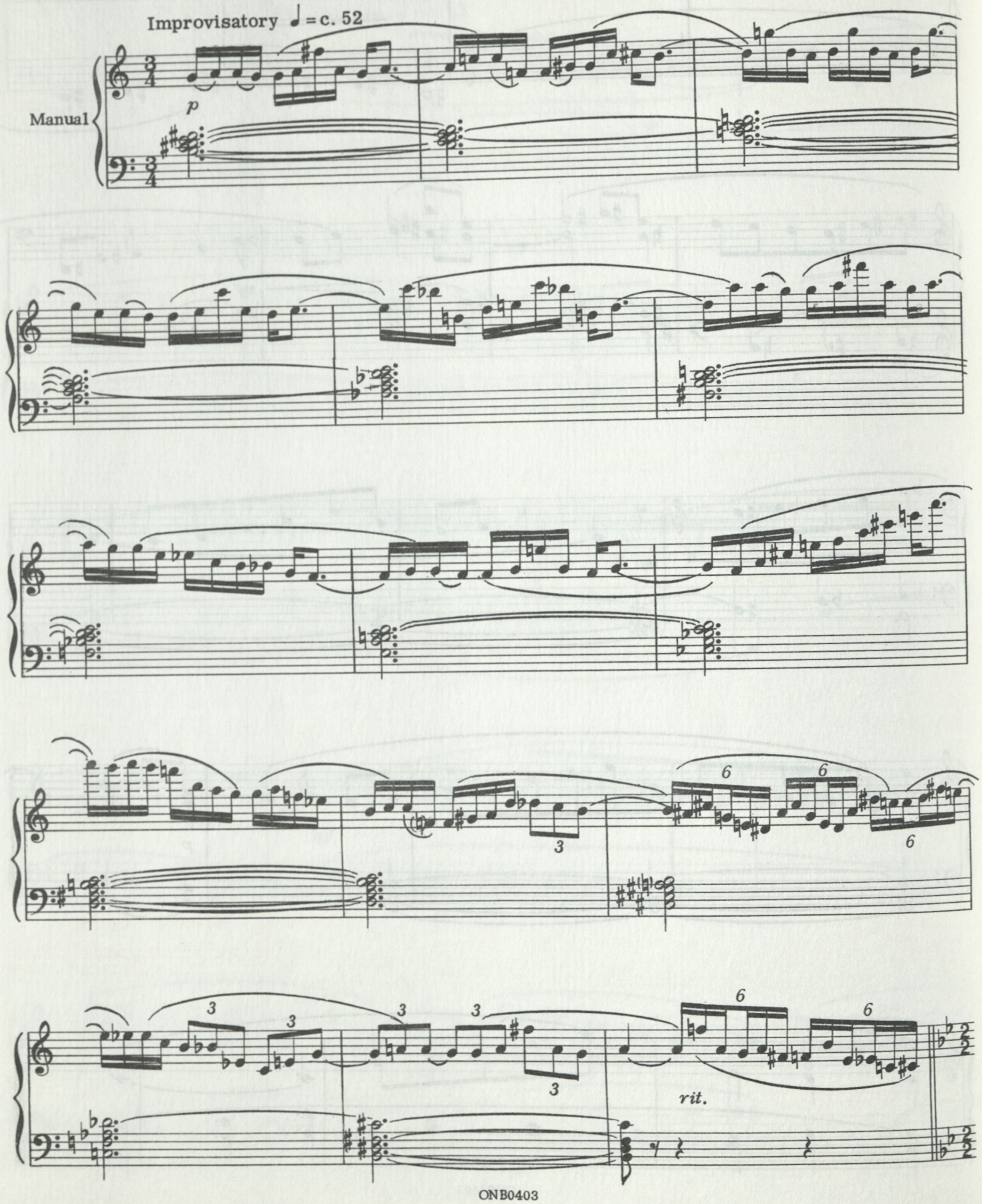
Manual

mp

mf


f
mf
mp
p

3. The Nest in Old North Church

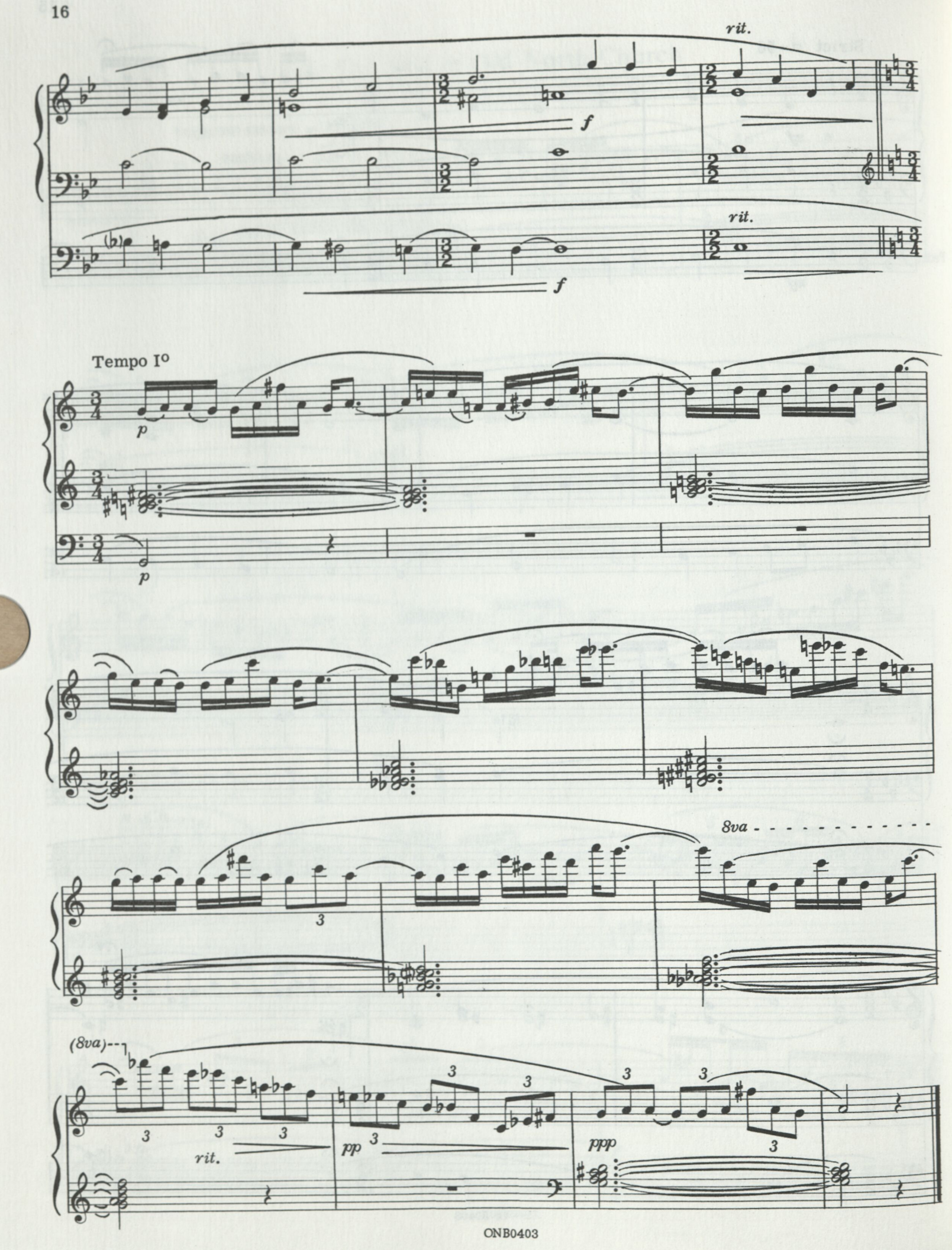


Strict ♩ = 56

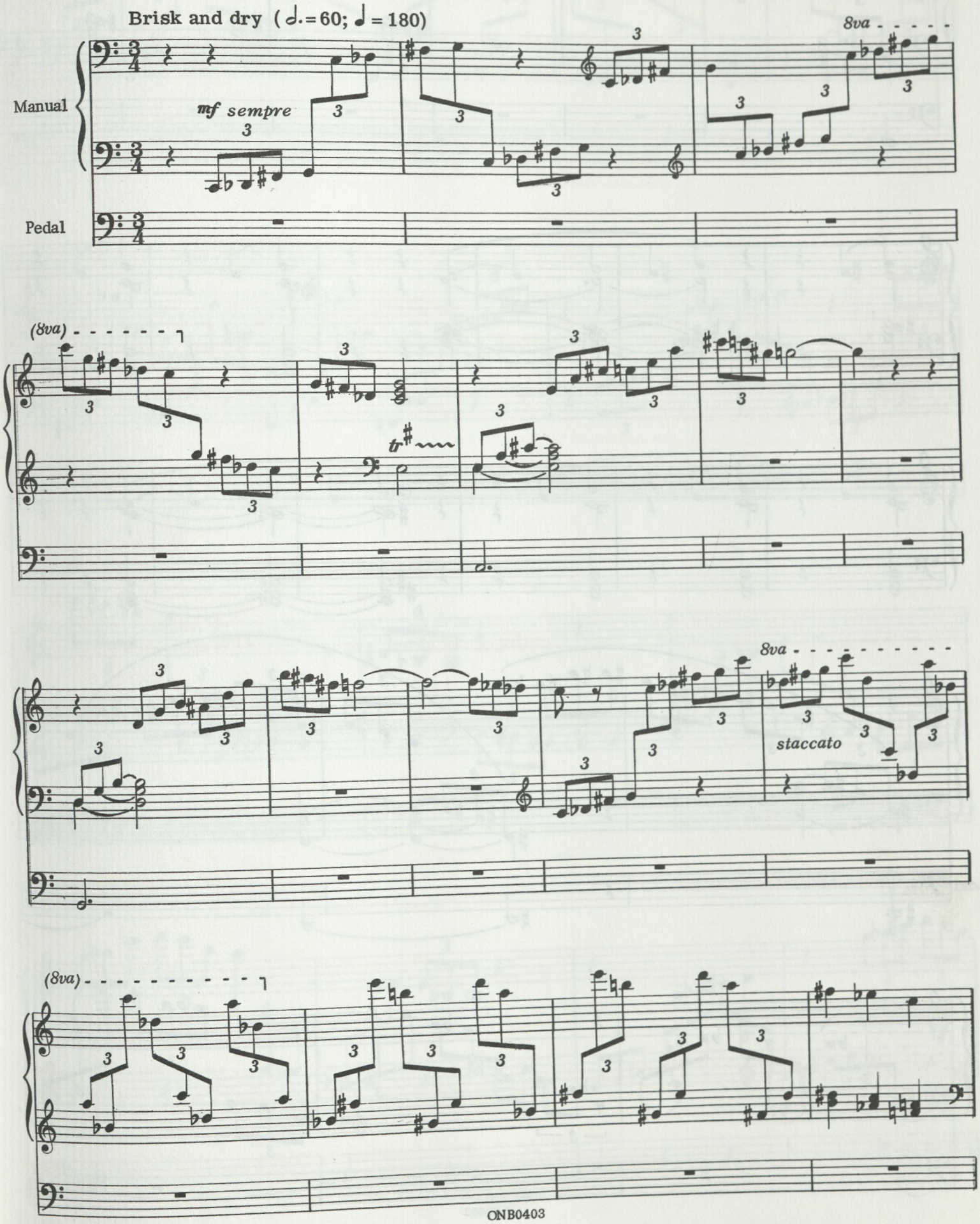
mf

Pedal

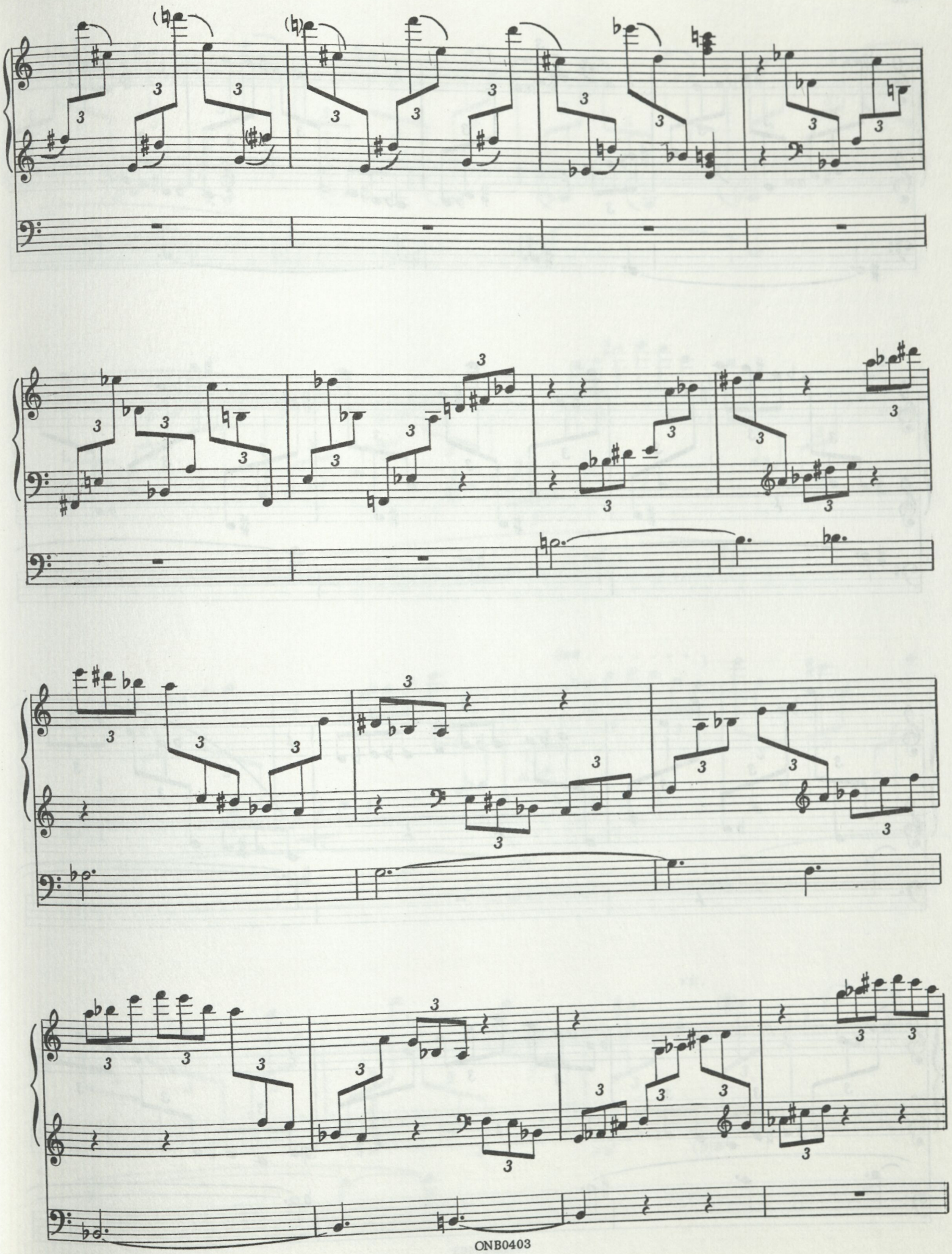
mf

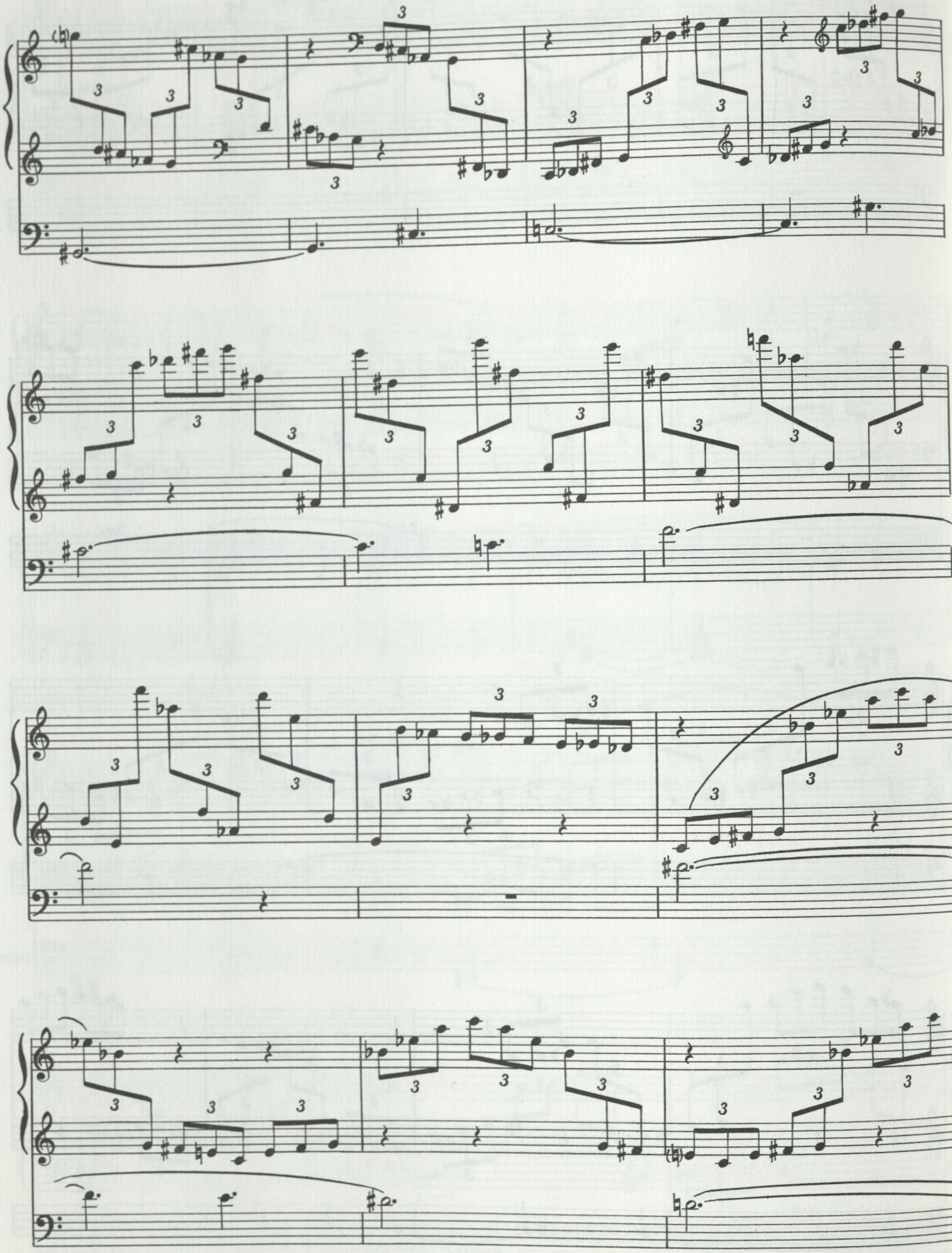

rit.
f
rit.
f
Tempo I°
p
p
8va
(8va)
rit.
pp
ppp

4. Spires


Brisk and dry (𝅗𝅥.=60; ♩=180)
Manual
Pedal
mf sempre
8va
(8va)
tr
staccato

Pedal





8va

rit.

a tempo

p

mp

pp

rit.

rit.

Pedal

a tempo

fff

fff

8va

(8va)

a tempo

p

mp

pp

rit.

rit.

Pedal

a tempo

fff

fff

(8va)

5. Rain Over the Quaker Graveyard

Free ♩=63 to 76

rit.

a tempo

8va

Manual

Pedal

p

mp

mf

rit.

pp

pp

ppp

mp

f molto

ppp

mp

f molto

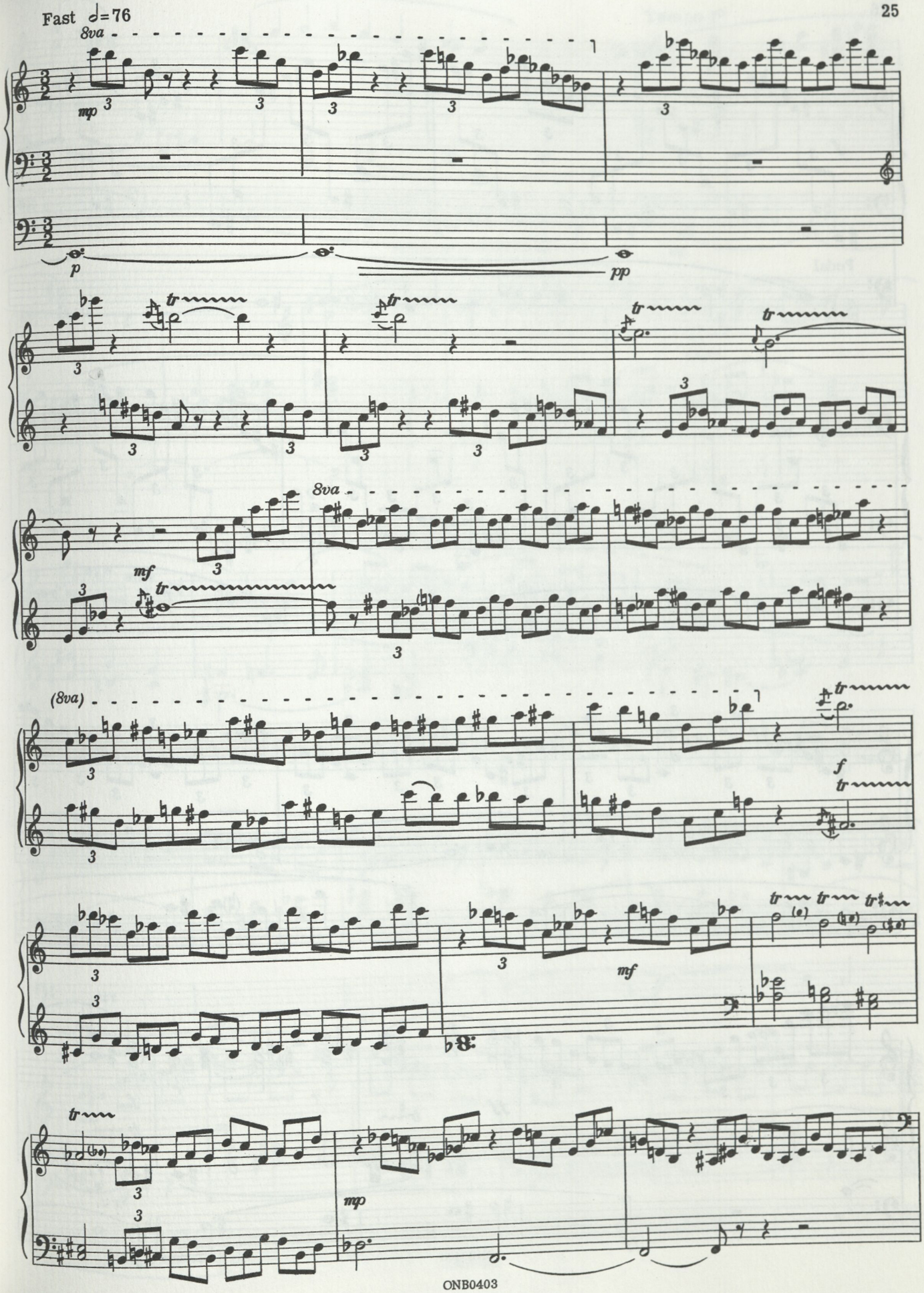
(♩=58)

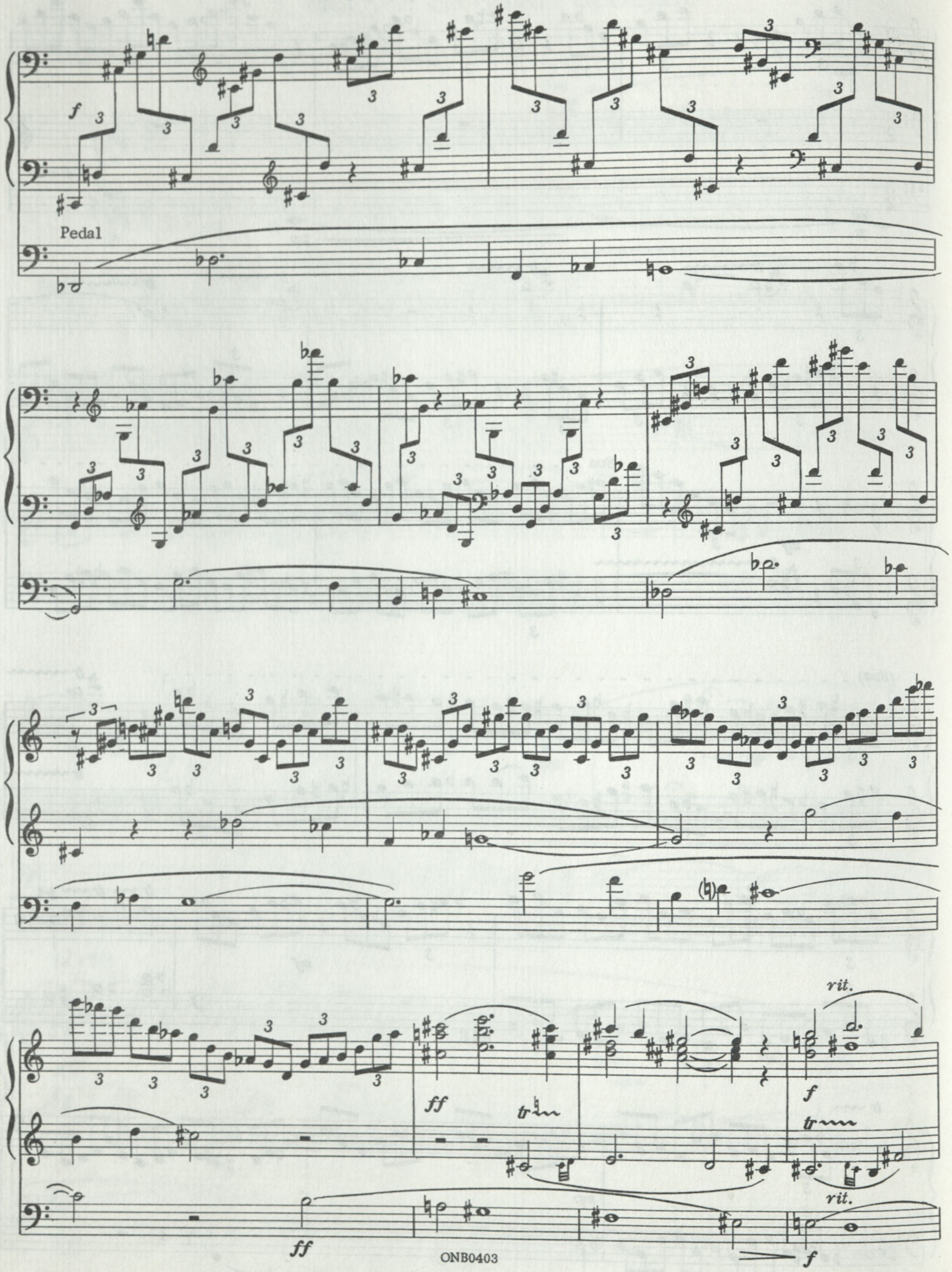
fff

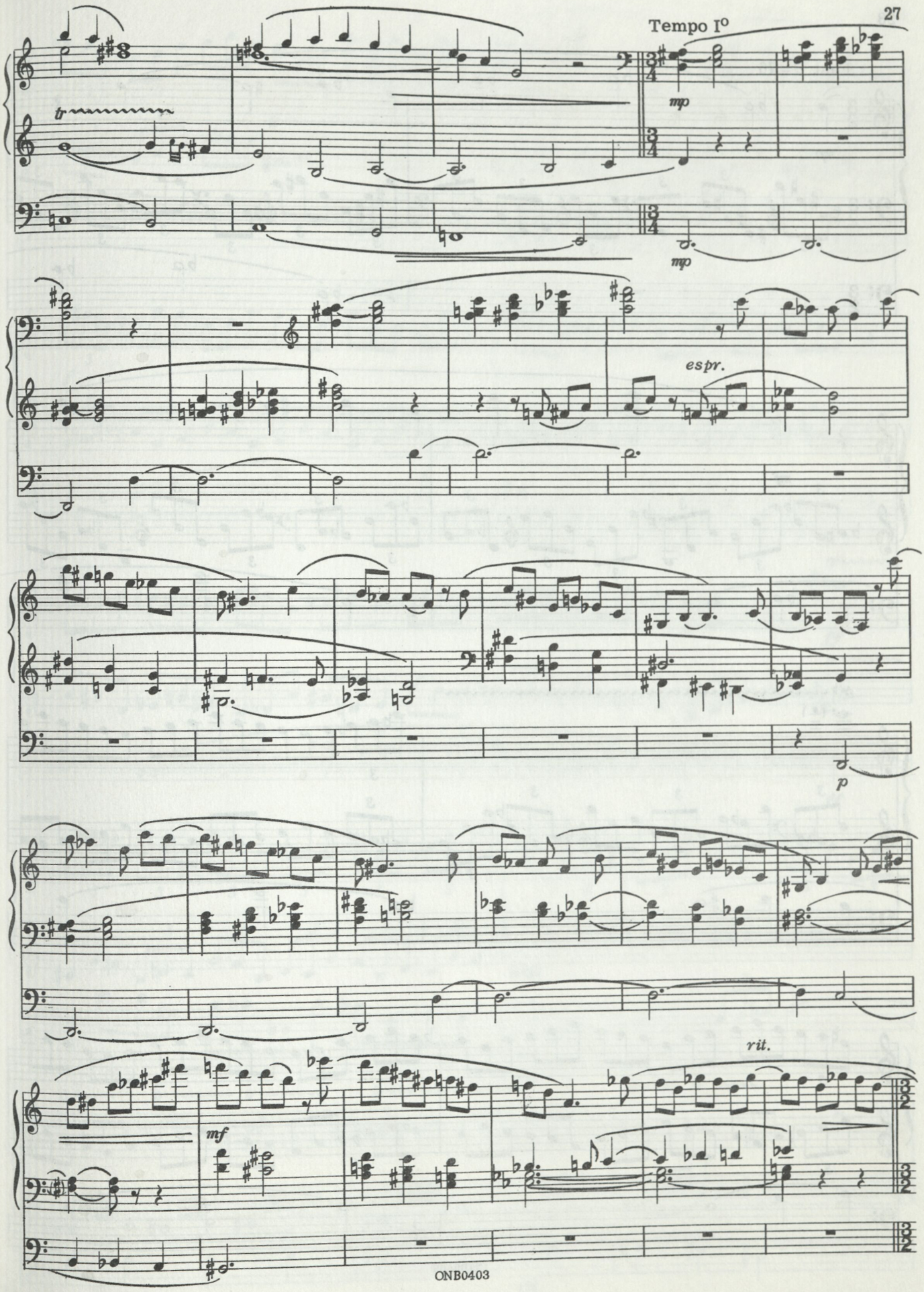
dim.

fff

dim.


Fast ♩=76
8va
mp
p
pp
tr
mf
(8va)
f
mp


f
Pedal
ff
tr
rit.
f


Tempo I°
mp
mp
espr.
p
mf
rit.

Fast ♩ = 76

mp

mf

tr

tr

f

f

tr

ff

tr

ff

tr tr tr tr tr rit. tr tr

rit.

sempre rit.

tr

mf

p

molto

sempre rit.

mf

p

molto

Tempo I° (♩ = 58)

ff

ff

Fast (𝅗𝅥 = 76)

mp

p

p

tr

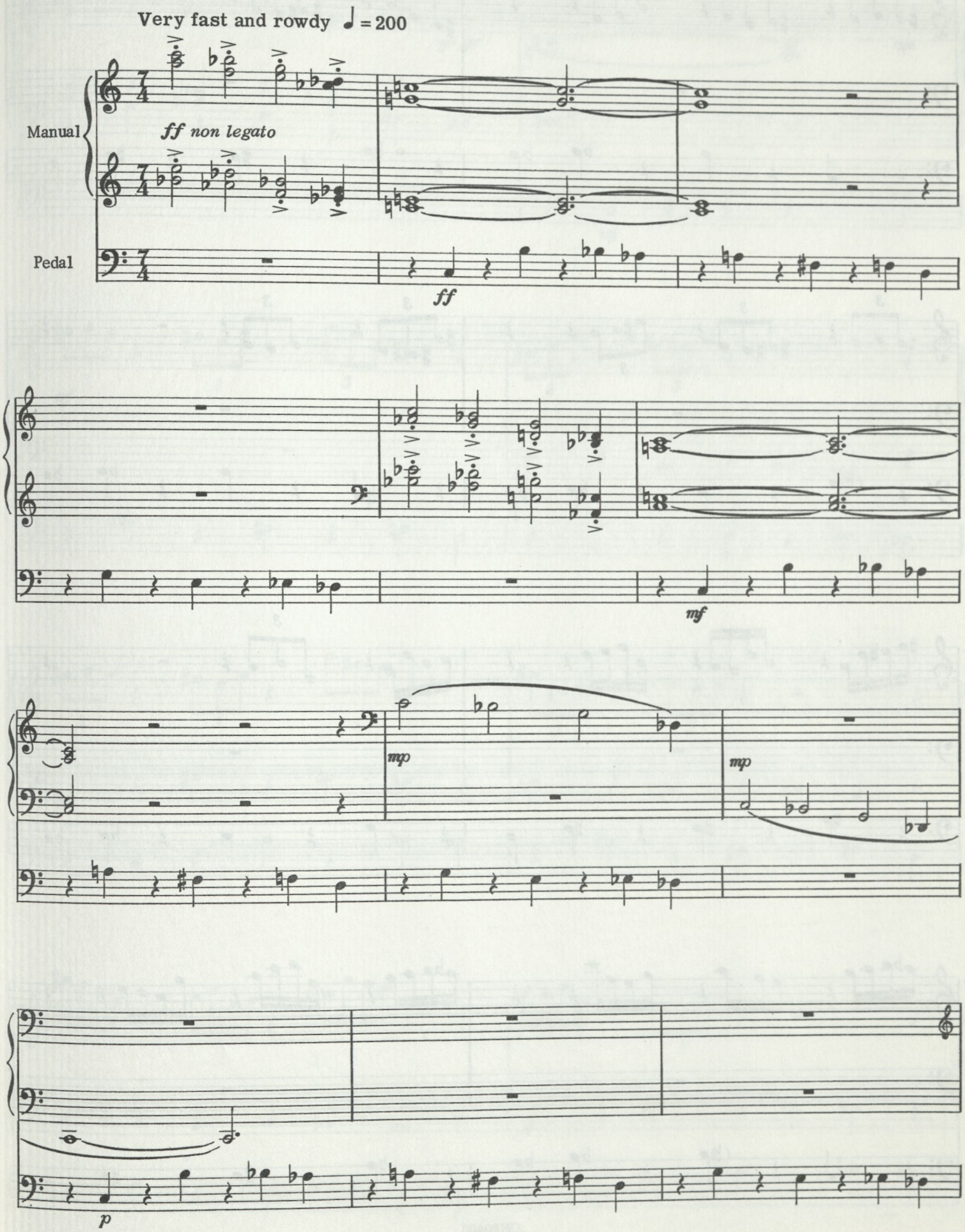
pp

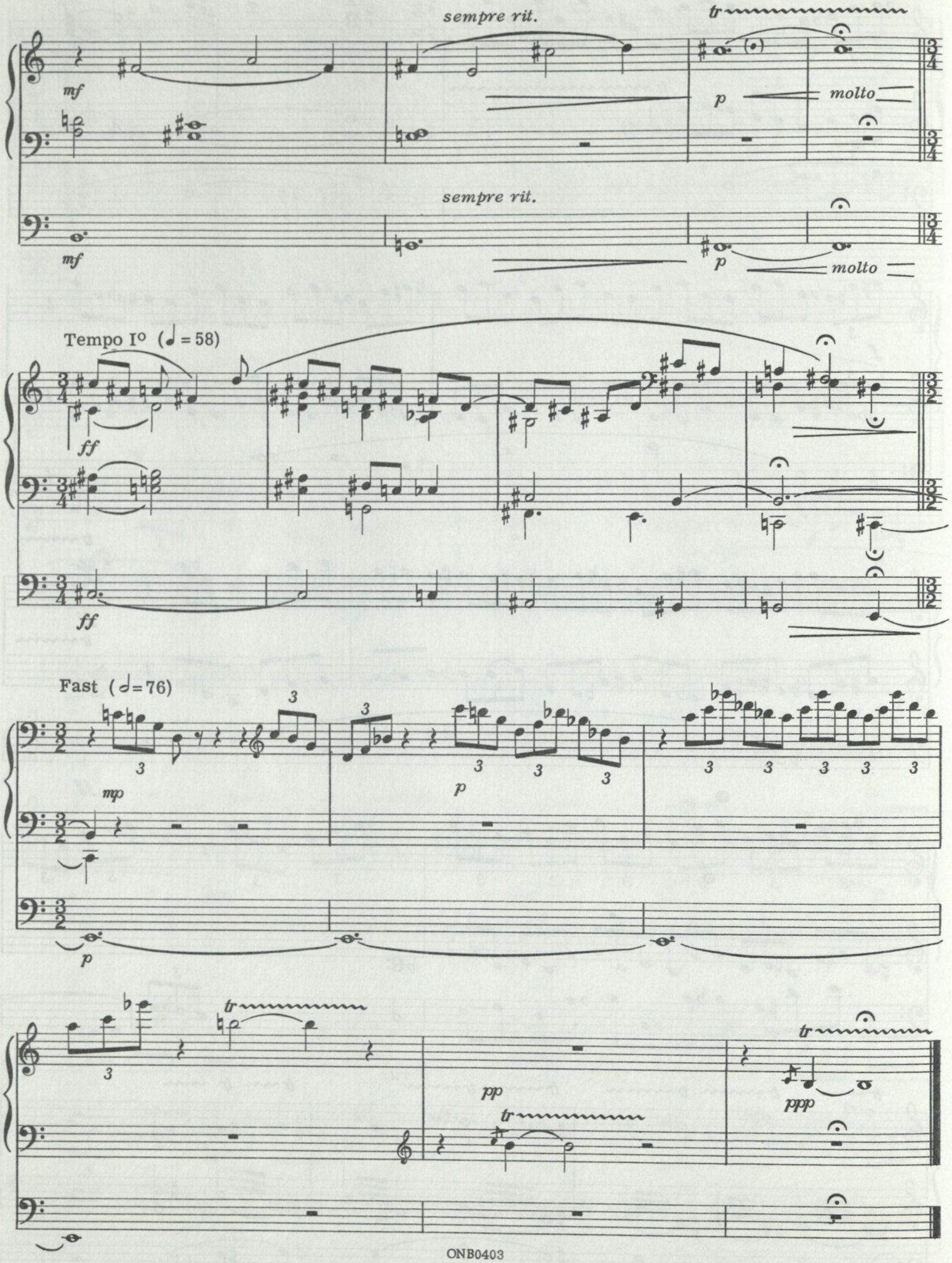
tr

tr

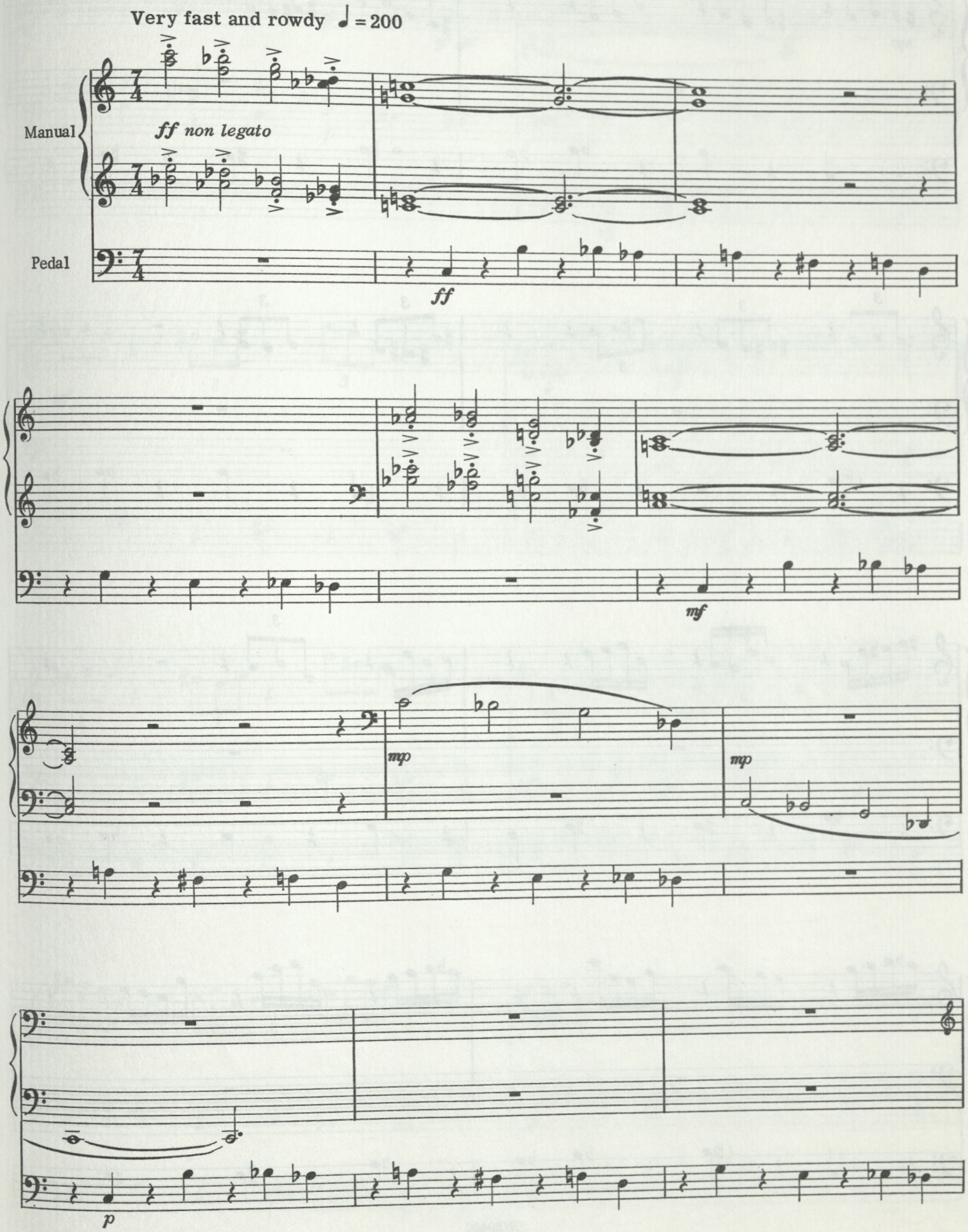
ppp

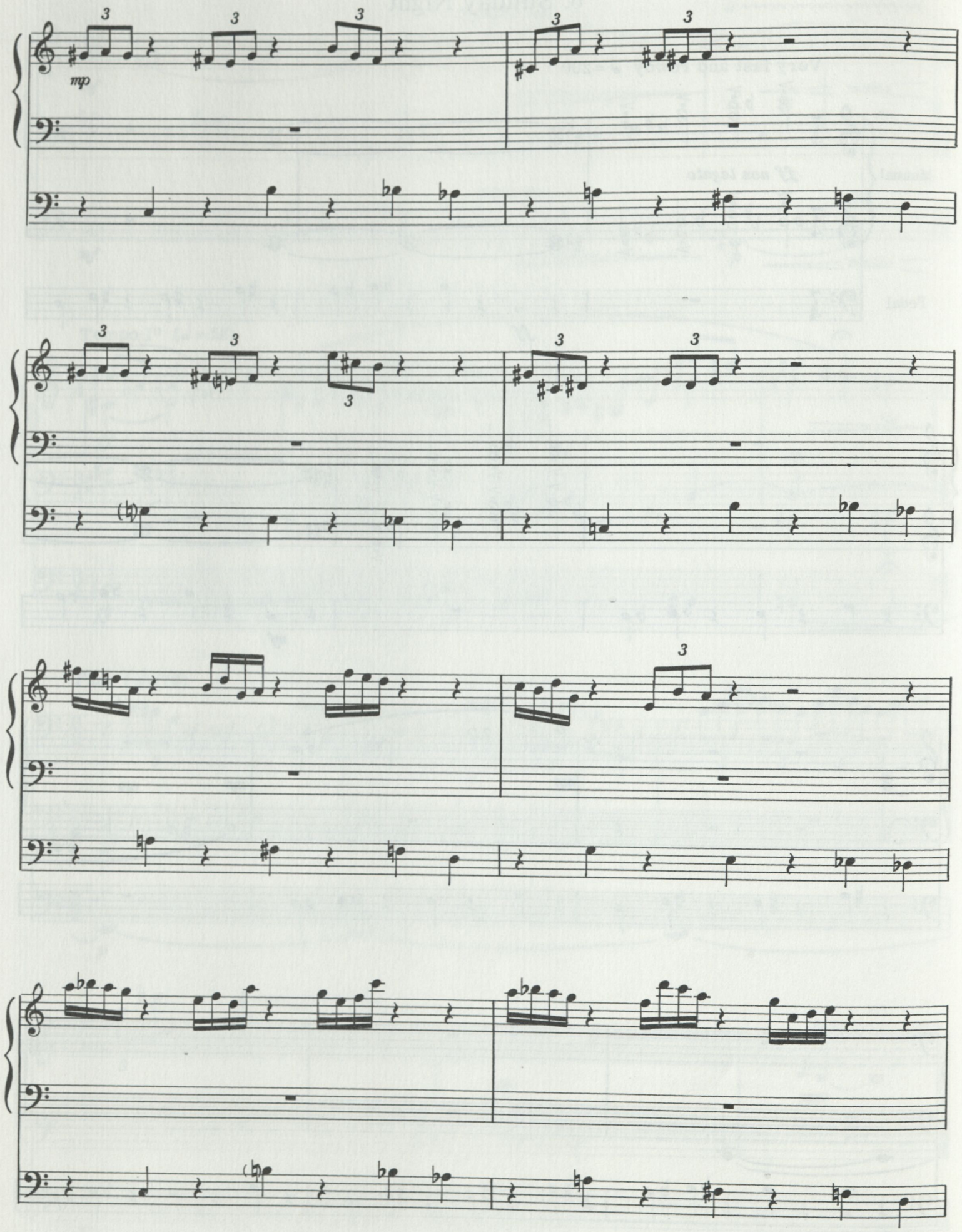
6. Sunday Night

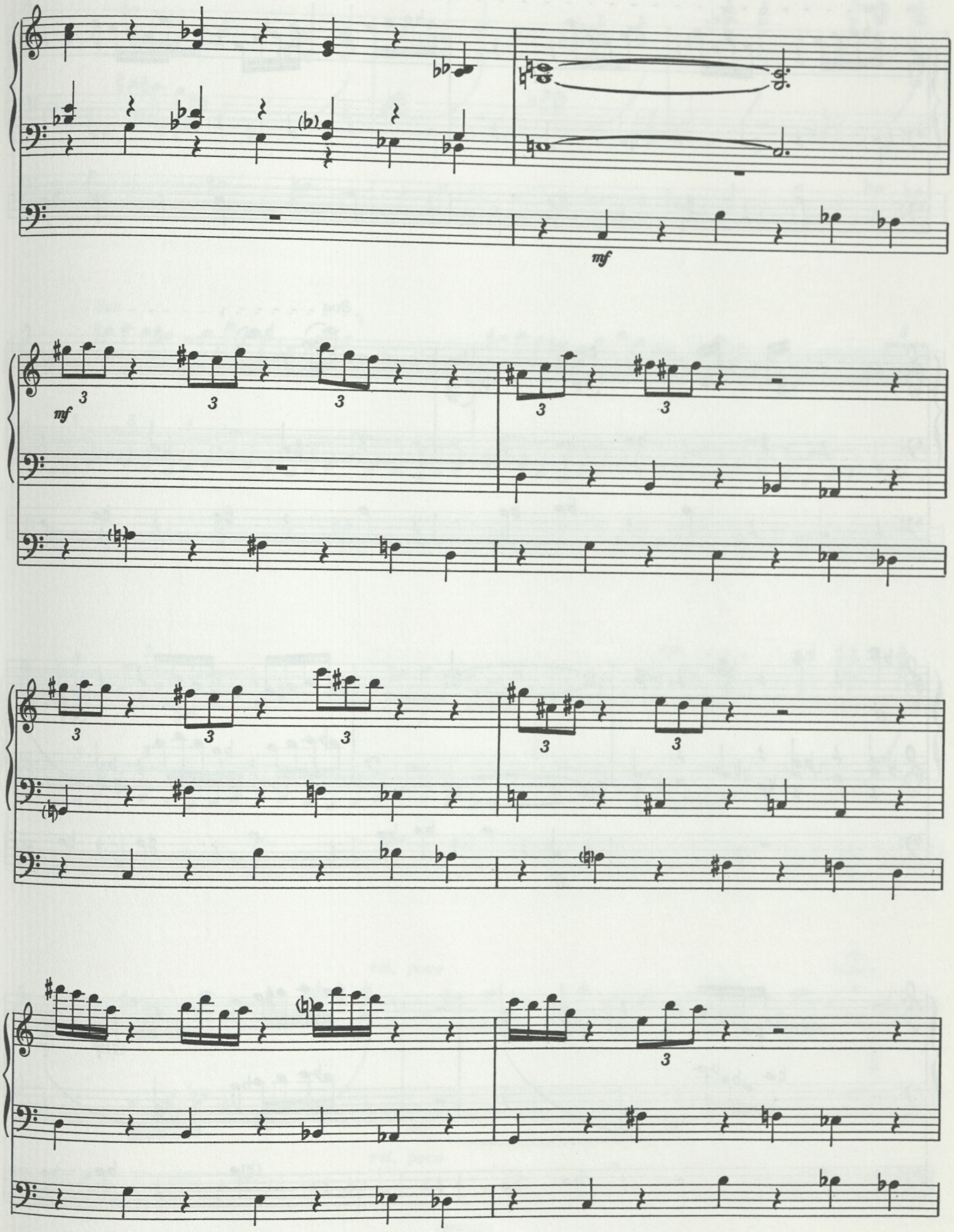



sempre rit.
tr
mf
p
molto
sempre rit.
mf
p
molto
Tempo I° (♩ = 58)
ff
ff
Fast (𝅗𝅥 = 76)
mp
p
p
tr
pp
tr
tr
ppp

6. Sunday Night




mp


mf
mf
3
3
3
3
3
3
3
3
3
3
3
3
3

8va

8va

ff

ff

8va

8va

rit. poco

breve

rit. poco

♩ = 120

Hymn-like, *but don't relax*

mf

Pedal

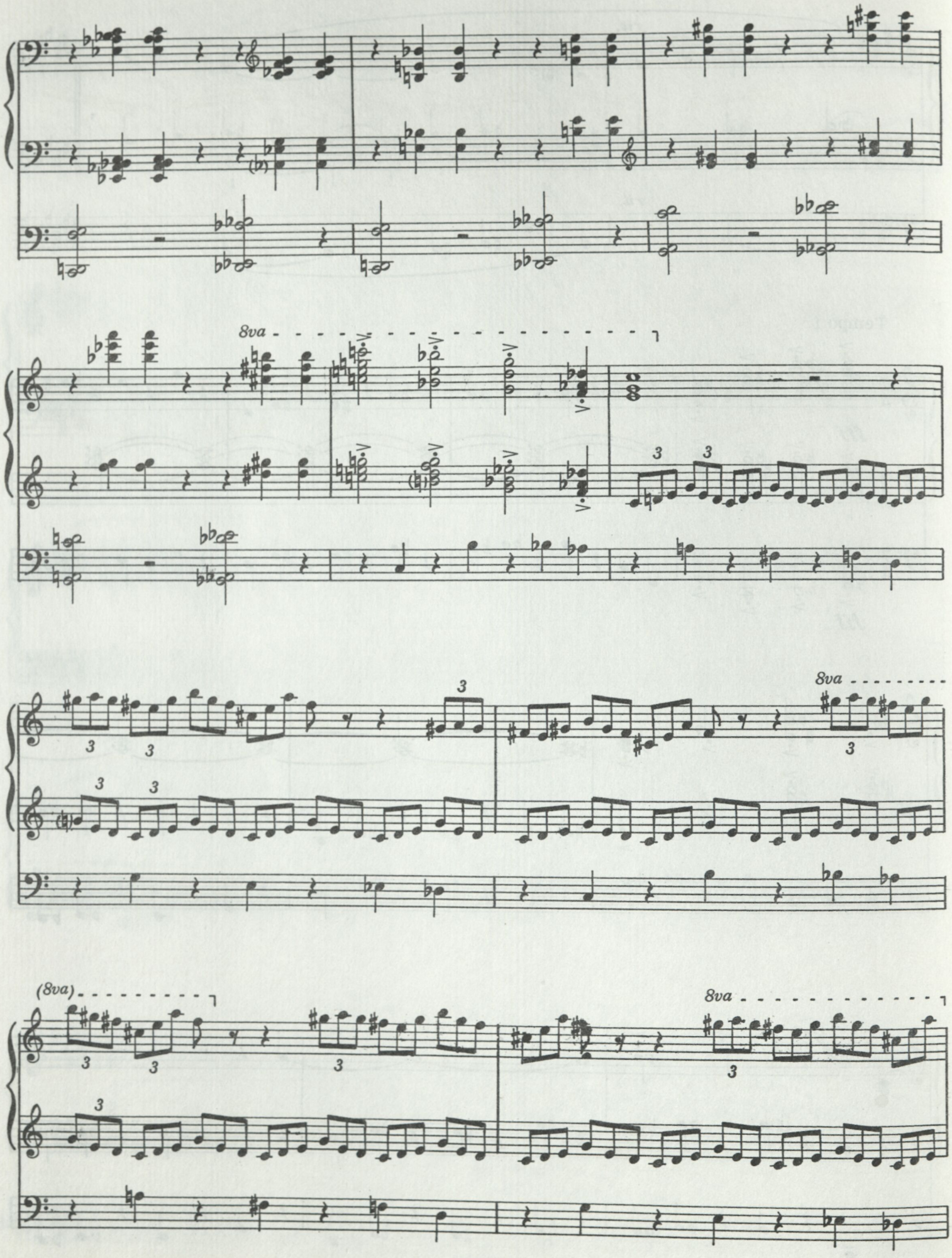
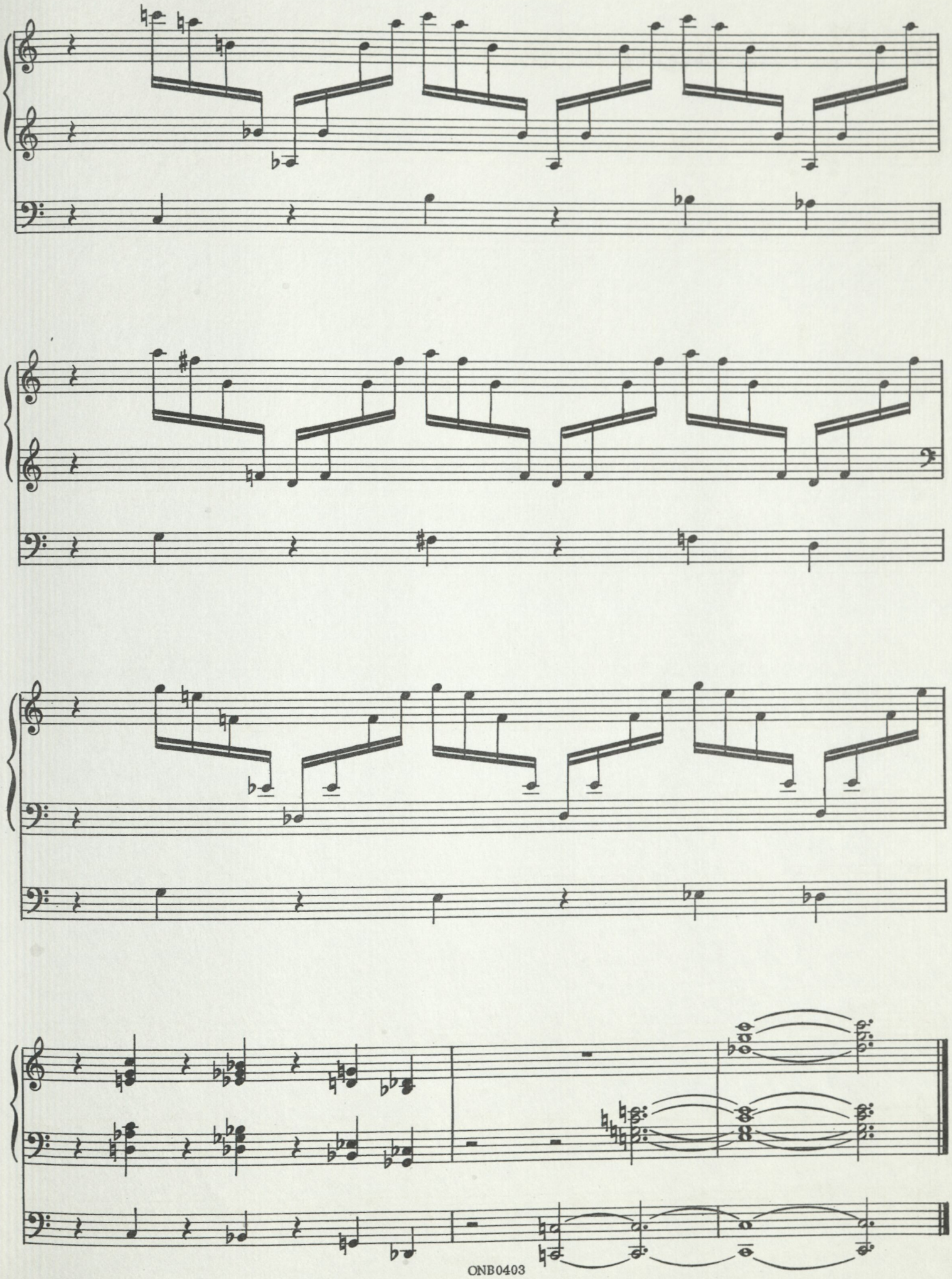
rit.

rit.

Tempo I

fff

fff


8va
8va
(8va)
8va